

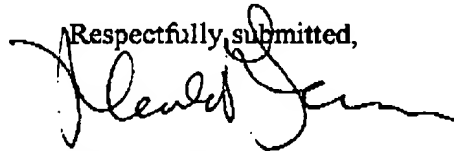
REMARKS

This paper responds to the office action mailed April 22, 2003 ("the office action"). Claims 1, 5-11 and 56 are currently pending. Claims 1 and 56 have been amended herein. The applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in light of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

Section 3 of the office action objected to claims 1, 5-11 and 56 because of informalities. Section 4 of the office action noted that the claims were otherwise allowable over the prior art of record. The claims have been amended along the lines suggested in the office action. Thus, Applicants believe that the claims are proper for allowance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 952.474.3701 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees required for any reason relating to this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 to 1.21 from Howrey Simon Arnold & White Deposit Account No. 01-2508, Order No. 10872.0171.NPUS00/GLE.

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